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The reply filed on September 23, 2003 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):

Applicant has failed to specifically point out the support in the original disclosure for each of the newly presented claim limitations, i.e. "packing the removed tissue into a desired shape,"... "wherein the removed tissue includes blood and other body tissue" (M.P.E.P. 714.02). It is noted that the applicant refers to columns and lines, however these do not match the specification in the application. Because of the procedure outlined in M.P.E.P. 2163.06 for interpreting the claims, it is noted that other art may be applicable under 35 U.S.C. 102 or 35 U.S.C. 103(a) once the aforementioned problem under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, is corrected. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment, EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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